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GOVERNMENT COMPANIES STIMULATE TRADE;  
GUNNY SACKS AND SUGAR IN DEMAND

KWANGTUNG NATIVE PRODUCTS COMPANY PROVES WORTH -- Canton Nan-fang Jih-pao, 12 Aug 50

During the first 7 months of 1950, the Kwangtung Native Products Company expanded operations and organized branches throughout the province. The benefits of the company's operations are listed as follows:

1. Employment of a large number of unemployed shop attendants.
2. Stabilization of prices.
3. Cooperating with private business to the benefit of the latter.
4. Organization, leadership, and financial aid for private companies.
5. Encouraging exports abroad and stimulating wider distribution in the domestic commerce of the country.

BRISTLES CORPORATION AIDS PRIVATE ENTERPRISE -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao, 31 Aug 50

The Central and South China Bristles Corporation has established branch companies in Canton, Ch'ang-sha, and Cheng-chou.

The corporation has assisted small bristles buyers by abolishing the quantity and quality regulations in vogue under the KMT which required considerable capital to meet. The corporation will buy bristles in any quantity and will do the sorting itself. Thus the small dealer, who has only enough capital to buy up a few catties or even less than a catty, has a market outlet. Furthermore, the corporation has made loans to small operators to enable them to go farther afield in their search for bristles. The corporation has also organized cooperatives to assist them in buying. There are now nearly 800 buyers and processors of bristles in Hankow, about five times the number before the liberation.

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GUNNY SACK MARKET REPORTED ACTIVE -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao, 2 Sep 50

The demand for gunny sacks is outrunning the supply and the autumn harvest is likely to step up the demand even higher. About 20,000 sacks were sold to North China buyers during the week. Many more are on order with no definite date for delivery. The price of Indian green-thread sacks has stabilized at 3.55 Hong Kong dollars each. Increased demand may, however, upset this price.

HONG KONG SUGAR MARKET JUMPS -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao, 26 Aug 50

North China sugar buyers have suddenly shown a strong interest in Taiwan sugar and have brought one ship load of 1,000 tons that came into Hong Kong. The buyers are reported to be looking for more sugar. The price on this deal was 60 Hong Kong dollars a bag.

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